

GEO 01

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Requirements:

Computer

Pens and paper

Group Activity 5: Which Species Have Been Introduced to Australia?

Early settlers keen to create an environment more familiar to them, often brought species from their home country. However, many of these have created problems for the land, our waterways and the fauna and flora of Australia. They have threatened Australia's biodiversity.

Some of the introduced animals that caused the problems are listed below:

- Cane toad
- European wild rabbit
- European red fox
- Feral camel
- Feral cat
- Feral goat
- Feral horse and feral donkey
- Feral pig
- Feral water buffalo

The [Department of Environment, Heritage, Water and the Arts](http://www.environment.gov.au/), <
<http://www.environment.gov.au/>> has excellent accounts of these feral animals.

Choose one animal per student and, using the information on the Department of Environment, Heritage, Water and the Arts website, research information about the introduced animals using the following headings;

- Distribution (include a map)
- History,
- Ecology,
- Impact,
- Control and management plans.